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Re: US Application No. 10/696,976
Filing Date: October 30, 2003
Our Reference: CRD5058USCNT
"Gripper For Catheter Shaft"

Dear Examiner Bhatia,

Please accept the following Amendment mailed April 30, 2008.

I appreciate your attention and consideration in this matter.

Best regards,



Michael W. Montgomery

Enclosure

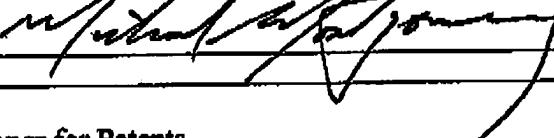
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